

VIRGINIA EDITORS AT MOUNT ELLIOTT

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PRESIDENT COOKE'S REPORT

Various Resolutions Offered and
Referred—Delightful Reception
Held in Evening.

[By Staff Correspondent.]
Mount Elliott, Va., June 24.—The twenty-fifth annual session of the Virginia Press Association was opened here today with a surprising scarcity of journalists and an overabundance of candidates and politicians in attendance. The program called for an early morning meeting, but at a o'clock less than a dozen newspaper men showed up, and President C. B. Cooke wisely refrained from tapping his gavel until several afternoon trains on the Chesapeake and Ohio had been flagged. These trains unloaded enough "Faber shavers" of one kind and another to make a quorum, and finally at about 4 o'clock in the afternoon the meeting was called to order. Secretary Hart refrained from calling the roll.

President C. B. Cooke read his report as follows:
Gentlemen and Ladies of the Virginia Press Association:
Think the few remarks I have to make at this time should be in the nature of a report from your president, or rather the rendering of an account of the talents you placed in my hands about a year ago, and I shall not emulate the unworthy stewards and return your talent shining and clean, just as it was stored away when handed to me. I have at least tried to do something for the good of the fraternity, but this trying to help Virginia Press is not so easy as it would seem, therefore, this report is not so encouraging as I would like to have it. I give it to you, however, for what it is worth and commend the good work to your successor in office.

First, I began a systematic effort to tabulate statistical information regarding the daily and weekly press of the State. I had printed and mailed to each paper a card asking for the name of the paper, owner or editor, who founded it, circulation, publication day and rate charged for advertising. I sent out five or six hundred letters, but was only partially successful in gathering statistical data.

I received information from about ninety-seven papers, seventy of these were dailies. There are listed in Ayer's 1913 directory 257 publications, sixty-six of which are religious, monthly, college and negro, 131 daily and weekly. The absence of more replies shows a sad lack of interest on the part of publishers in their own business and in the business of this association, which was designed for the advancement of the profession and of its members, as well as for their pleasure and enjoyment at our periodical meetings and excursions. The Ayer's list is not correct, for I find a distressing mortality amongst the country press and publishers of the State. For this there must be some valid reason, but to get at the root of the trouble it is absolutely necessary to have detailed information such as I sought.

I know what the trouble is, and I am going to tell you it is bad management, or worse still, no management at all, and if this association is to endure it must make itself of more practical value not only to its members, but to those who are not members, seen fit to join our ranks and lend a helping hand.

Following up my first letter, my next step was to write about 200 letters asking for the following information: "How much money did you take in for circulation during the past year?" "How many inches of advertising did you print?" "What were the total operating expenses of your paper, exclusive of job work and less any salary for your services?" To these inquiries I got one reply containing the information. Some few wrote they had no such information, others that they had no means of separating the job expense and the newspaper expense. The fact remains, however, that of seventy papers papers heard from the average rate per inch earned for display advertising was found to be about 10 cents. At this rate, provided they all

not it, without any outside assistance from the practice of law, the running of a grocery store, a farm, or some other occupation to augment the income, every country weekly in Virginia would go bankrupt.

Now I ask you, in this a healthy condition of the press and do you want it to continue? How can you expect to perform a duty to your subscribers and to the Commonwealth if you are so handicapped? When the wolf is continually scratching at the door you cannot discharge your moral obligations to either the reader or the State. An empty pocketbook does not consort with enthusiasm or even with intelligent, hopeful endeavor.

Let us seriously take hold of this situation and remedy it. Let us study this question at this meeting, and let us co-operate to formulate a cost plan for country and daily papers that will lift our profession out of the muck and mire of financial despond and put it on a sound basis, where we can then devote our space and enthusiasm to liberal and broadening the business and natural undeveloped advantages of this grand old Commonwealth, with her vast resources of farm lands, minerals and timber, stretching from the seashore to the mountains, and let us help Virginia take her rightful place amongst her sister States of the nation as "the queen of them all." God bless us all these things out of the goodness of His heart, and it is for you and for me to take advantage of them and invite the world to enjoy them with us.

Afternoon Program Changed.
The afternoon program was materially changed to meet conditions. Walter H. Savory delivered an interesting paper on the cost system of a newspaper office.

Various resolutions were referred to proper committees, among them one by E. G. Mosely, of Danville, bearing on the temperance question asking all Virginia newspapers to run a special temperance column, even if they have to use plate matter to do it. Among the resolutions and politicians who are here to shake with the editors are Lewis H. Machen, J. Taylor, Ellyson and Alexander J. Wedderburn, J. Garland Pollard, R. Thompson Cummings, George B. Kezzer, J. Thompson Brown, George B. Kezzer. Several other candidates are expected by the night's train, and possibly some more newspaper men.

President Cooke's reception to-night was a most interesting affair, among those who assisted in the receiving line being J. Taylor, Ellyson, John Garland Pollard, R. Thompson Cummings, George B. Kezzer, J. Thompson Brown, J. Wedderburn, S. Gordon Cummings, George B. Kezzer.

Music and dancing followed the reception, and the evening developed that the newspaper men and newspaper women there are many sweet singers.

DENIES MRS. STETSON'S CLAIM

Alfred Farlow Says She Is Not Even Member of Church.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Boston, June 24.—Alfred Farlow, chairman of the publication committee of the Christian Science Monitor, in reply to a claim of Mrs. Augusta E. Stetson, of New York, that she is the head of the church and the spiritual authority of the teachings of Mrs. Eddy, declared that Mrs. Stetson is not even a member of the church.

"Her position," he said, "is exactly the same as any one else outside the head of the church and the spiritual authority of the church." He declared to-day that they doubted very much whether the board of directors would make any reply to Mrs. Stetson's claim. It is in her book of reminiscences that Mrs. Stetson, who was excommunicated from the church in 1903, announced herself as the true head of the church.

REFUSED NATURALIZATION.

Judge Declines That Modern Syrian or Asiatic Birth Not Entitled to It.

Charlotte, N. C., June 24.—In the United States District Court here to-day Judge Henry A. M. Smith decided that a modern Syrian or Asiatic birth is not entitled to naturalization as a citizen of the United States. The decision was rendered in the case of Faris Shahid, who was born fifty-nine years ago in Zahle, Asia Minor, and who desired naturalization in order to bring his wife and several children to this country.

"That is the race or color of the modern inhabitants of Syria. It is impossible to say," said Judge Smith. "No geographical area of the world has been more mixed since the beginning of time. One Syrian may be of pure or almost pure Jewish, Turkish or Greek blood and another may be a pure-blooded descendant of an Egyptian, an Abyssinian or a Sudanese."

On Overland March to Juarez.

El Paso, Texas, June 24.—Strong bodies of constitutionalists, under General Carranza, commander in chief of the State of Chihuahua, are reported to have reached Guzman and Villa Ahumada, seventy miles and eighty-three miles south of Ciudad Juarez, on the Mexican Northwestern and Mexico National Railways, on their overland march to attack Juarez.

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RAILROADS FALL TO SUSTAIN CASE

Justice Criticizes Methods Employed in Separating Intrastate Operations From Interstate.

Washington, June 24.—Nothing short of actual book accounts of railroad receipts and expenditures in interstate business will be accepted by the Supreme Court of the United States as a basis of annulling State railroad rate cases, completed to-day, Justice Hughes announced in the opinion of the court that the freight and 2-cent passenger rates in that State were not confiscatory on the court's last decision, June 16, and has been engaged in writing the opinion in the case since that day.

He pointed out in the opinion that the railroads, in attacking the rates, failed to sustain their case by showing that the methods employed in separating intrastate operations from interstate. The value of the railroad property, although not in dispute, in the Minnesota case was improperly placed on a gross revenue basis. He also criticized the lower court's conclusion that intrastate freight rates should be 20 per cent more on the Iron Mountain road and 20 per cent more on the St. Louis Southwestern than interstate traffic, and the intrastate passenger service on the Iron Mountain cost 10 per cent more than the interstate.

Railroads Indicted.
Red Wing, Minn., June 24.—Indictments charging violation of the 2-cent passenger rate law were handed down by the Goodhue County grand jury late to-day. The indictments were returned against the Chicago and North Western, the Chicago and Milwaukee, and the St. Paul Railway.

The indictments are of action taken by Judge Albert Johnson, of the County Court, nearly a month ago. Although at the time the indictments were returned the court had not rendered its decision in the case, Judge Johnson charged the grand jury that it should indict the railroads which had violated the 2-cent law in the State.

PRINCESS PATRICIA TO WED

Engagement to Prince Adolf Friedrich Soon to Be Announced.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.]
London, June 24.—The engagement of the Princess Patricia of Connaught to Prince Adolf Friedrich, heir to the duchy of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, will shortly be announced, according to a Berlin dispatch received here to-night. Princess Patricia is the daughter of the Duke of Connaught, former Governor-General of Canada, who is an uncle of King George V. The prince, who is a grandson of the Dowager Duchess of Mecklenburg-Strelitz.

CORBETT ADDRESSES W. C. T. U.

Former Fugitive Tells of Best Lesson on Temperance in His Life.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
New York, June 24.—"That was the best lesson on temperance I ever learned in my life," said James J. Corbett, former champion prize fighter, addressing the Whitestone, L. I. branch of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union to-night. He said while a young man in San Francisco, he was employed in a bank as a clerk, and had been the protégé of the vice-president.

"This man's only fault was drinking," said Corbett, and a few years later when "was a free fighter in New York, he came to my hotel, dressed in the shabbiest clothes, begging for money. Drink had broken him entirely."

DID NOT DIE OF POISON.

Criminal Practice Regarded as Cause of Young Woman's Death.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Salisbury, N. C., June 24.—It developed to-day that Miss Florence Wainwright, who was found dead in a desk in the Home Gas Company, did not die of poison, and probably did not die of a gas leak.

She is believed to have died while in the yard to the rear of the company's office, and the case is being handled as criminal practice. It is thought that after death the body was carried into the office and placed where it was found later.

HOE DETERMINED TO FIGHT ACTION

Will Use Every Recourse to Prevent Paying Any Sum at All to Miss Sullivan.

New York, June 24.—Arthur Ingersoll, son of Robert Hoe, will use resource that the \$5,000,000 left him by the great manufacturer of printing presses can summon to prevent paying one penny of the \$15,000 for which he is being sued by Miss Mary Sullivan, twenty-year-old daughter of the late Patrick H. Sullivan, once register of deeds.

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CATHOLIC WOMEN NOT RE-ELECTED

Action of Charlotte School Board Causes Leading Citizens to Utter Protest.

Charlotte, N. C., June 24.—At a meeting attended by 500 citizens of this city to-night, resolutions were unanimously adopted protesting against the majority action of the board of city school commissioners, in refusing at their meeting last week to re-elect the Misses Clifford as teachers in the city schools for no other reason advanced than that they were members of the Roman Catholic Church. There were forceful addresses delivered by a number of representative citizens who had no affiliation whatever with the Catholic Church, and all of these, while deprecating the action of the board, were launched on a high plane, and any element of denunciation or abuse that might have been expected was absent in the speeches made. A. J. Draper, a wealthy cotton mill owner, was chairman of the meeting, and W. S. O'Brien, a member of the Charlotte Bar Association, secretary. Among those who made addresses were former Judge F. I. Osborne, of the United States Court of Claims, and a former Attorney-General of the State of North Carolina, and Archdeacon Osborn, for many years a prominent and influential minister of the Episcopal Church.

There was a spirit of indignation on the part of those present that they are not willing to allow the action of the School Board to stand without a protest. It is reported that the action in the School Board is final, and that young women will not be reinstated as teachers.

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M'NABB RELEASED; CLEAN BILL IS GIVEN TO M'REYNOLDS

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"Hon. J. C. McReynolds, Attorney-General."

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"On the same date (May 27), I replied by wire, saying that I would take no action until I have received the report. I then sent the cases and proceeded with them as you have planned, and you are so directed."

"I had no occasion to give the matter any further special consideration for some three weeks—June 18—when Secretary Wilson telephoned to me and told me that the case of the Western Fuel Company was being handled by the newly-appointed Commissioner of Immigration. The secretary explained the exigencies of his department, which, he thought, imperatively required the prompt handling of the case. He has written me a letter stating his recollection of the circumstances, and I herewith inclose it."

"Impressed by Secretary Wilson's statement of his embarrassment, and desiring, of course, if possible to relieve him without stopping to go through the files and refresh my recollection concerning any particular case, I decided that the just solution of the situation was first to prosecute the three, who were both directors and officers of the company, and to defer until he could examine the evidence, and then to determine the propriety of further proceedings. He reported this conclusion to me; I thought it right, and in pursuance of it I directed the district attorney to follow the following telegram:

"The Secretary of Labor advises it is his duty to report to the Commissioner of Immigration Caminetti remain at his post here. I do not desire to have the case removed to a position of insisting upon the trial of young Caminetti and Diggs, charged with conspiracy to defraud, and to enforce absence of the father, who is performing necessary public duties in view of all facts, you are instructed to postpone trial of these cases until the autumn."

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"Mr. McNabb, as United States attorney, has been very cooperative, and confidence, demanding the utmost loyalty to the department. If, as such an officer, should have availed himself of these opportunities to send a

One More Nail in Flag of Rebellion.
San Francisco, Cal., June 24.—While the department feels grave doubt as to whether it should have the case removed to a position of insisting upon the trial of young Caminetti and Diggs, charged with conspiracy to defraud, and to enforce absence of the father, who is performing necessary public duties in view of all facts, you are instructed to postpone trial of these cases until the autumn."

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Grand Jurors Protest.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
San Francisco, June 24.—The members of the Federal grand jury which



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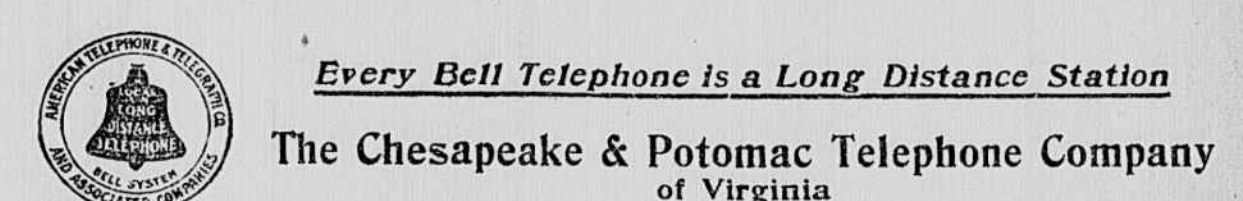
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At Memphis—Memphis, 4; Chattanooga, 6.
At Montgomery—Montgomery, 3; Nashville, 6.
At New Orleans—New Orleans, 4; Atlanta, 7.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

At Toledo—Toledo, 3; Indianapolis, 5.
At Milwaukee—Milwaukee, 3; Kansas City, 1.
At Columbus—Columbus, 4; Louisville, 13.
Only three games scheduled.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

At Baltimore—Baltimore, 3; Buffalo, 1-0.
At Providence—Providence, 3; Toronto, 3-4.
At Jersey City—Jersey City, 3; Rochester, 2.
At Newark—Newark, 3; Montreal, 4.

CAROLINA LEAGUE

At Greensboro—Greensboro, 3; Durham, 2.
At Charlotte—Charlotte, 3; Winston-Salem, 6.
At Raleigh—Raleigh, 5; Asheville, 4.

APPALACHIAN LEAGUE

At Middletown—Middletown, 1; Bristol, 7.
At Johnson City—Johnson City, 4; Rome, 2.
At Morristown—Morristown, 3; Knoxville, 5.

SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE

At Charleston—Charleston, 6; Macon, 6.
At Savannah—Savannah, 4; Albany, 9.

OPENING SESSION TO-NIGHT.

General Missionary Conference of M. E. Church, South.
Asheville, N. C., June 24.—Delegates and church dignitaries from all sections of the United States, as well as representatives from foreign countries, including Japan, China and Korea, are passing through this section to-night en route to Waynesville, where the general missionary conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will open to-morrow night.

The entire college of bishops of the Methodist Church, South, will attend the conference, the majority of the members being on the speakers' list. Among the prominent visitors who will address the conference are: Bishop R. G. McQuinn, of New York; Rev. Charles Stetzel, of New York; and Rev. C. D. Gray, D. D., of Atlanta.

Taken to South Carolina.

Lynchburg, Va., June 24.—Rasmus Steiner, traveling salesman for a New York wholesale jewelry house, died suddenly in his room at a local hotel to-day. Heart disease was the cause.

Dies Suddenly in Wilmington.

Wilmington, N. C., June 24.—Charles Steiner, traveling salesman for a New York wholesale jewelry house, died suddenly in his room at a local hotel to-day. Heart disease was the cause.

Sunday at the Seaside

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DESTROYED ALL RECORDS.

Temple Tells of Dissolution of Structural, Plate and Shifting Pools.
New York, June 24.—In the government's suit to dissolve the United States Steel Corporation, William C. Temple, known as general manager of the structural plate and shifting pools, declared to-day that the three pools mentioned in connection with his name but which they were mortgaged, and they still continue to pay.

"We are paying to-day for the navy, as an example, and we are paying us, roughly \$150 per capita per annum. Besides what has already been paid in the past, we are still mortgaged, by lack of foresight in our fathers, to the extent of the national debt and an additional \$150 per capita per annum that we are paying."

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Charles McVeach, general solicitor for the Steel Corporation, emphasized the fact that Judge Gary, who himself had agreed the pools were illegal.

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